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The Honorable Lee H. Hamilton Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

I was indeed sorry to hear through Tom Latimer that we would not be able to get together before Labor Day. We are eager for you to hear the briefing on the Agency's capabilities, which will be given by John McMahon and each of the Deputy Directors. I am confident that you will find this briefing informative and useful in your continuing service on the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence in the next Congress. At the same time we intend to brief vou on the situation in Afghanistan and provide an update on We will continue to work through Tom to arrange a

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convenient time for these briefings.

With regard to your concerns about recent press items in which the Sandinistas accuse the United States of sending assassination teams against their leadership, we deny them categorically. There is absolutely no basis in fact for those allegations. As you know, Executive Order 12333 prohibits this type of activity and we are dedicated to uphold both the letter and the spirit of that prohibition.

Sincerely,

/s/Charles A. Briggs

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